

re: RM-10811 FISTS CW Club Amateur Service Proposal.

I have read the competing proposals and agree that this one makes the most sense for the U.S. Amateur Service.

Aside from the argument(s) regarding requiring prospective operators to acquire the skill to operate in this mode and the value (or not) to the Service thereof, the simplicity and efficiency of the equipment required for CW communication can't be beat!

Certainly, there may be digital modes which can compete with CW in terms of spectrum-efficiency and/or the ability for communication to occur as efficiently under adverse conditions, however, for emergency communications, under those adverse conditions (and maybe unimaginably worse), I know I don't want to be fussing with a PC which (obviously) is the enabling device for those digital modes of communication to commence. CW is a most reliable and spectrum-efficient mode of communication and it seems to me that the Amateur Service is the perfect one to maintain a pool of CW-savvy talent.

Thank-You & 73s,
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